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The District Convention held at Tampa a short time since was largely attended, and produced excellent results.

### Hastings Ships Green Corn.

Hastings shipped the first car of sweet corn on Thursday. It was loaded solid with three hundred and fifty crates by C. A. Dupont and F. E. Bugbee and goes under the name of John Nix & Co., who handle the New York end of the deal. There are two hundred and fifty acres planted here and shipments will continue for some time. This is the first experience that the growers in Hastings have had in marketing crops that have to be shipped under refrigeration. The crop is easily made, goes on the market when prices are good and growers believe they have added another money-maker to their farm products.—Hastings News.

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## IMMENSE CROWD ATTEND FUNERAL.

### John Q. Tilghman's Bier Covered with Beautiful Floral Emblems.

The simple funeral ceremonies incident to the interment of all that was mortal of the late John Q. Tilghman were held at his late residence in the west end at 9:30 last Saturday morning. Long before the hour set for the ceremony, people began arriving and at the opening of the service the house was filled with friends of the dead man, the crowd also filling the yard enclosure and stretching out into the street.

People in all circumstances of life were there—the merchant, the banker, the laborer, the professional man, the artisan, all, for John Q. Tilghman was a lover of his fellow man, and his fellow men and citizens loved him and were saddened at his taking off at an age which, under favorable circumstances of health, held the promise of many more years of usefulness.

But the flowers. They too had been sent by all classes, by the Masons, the Order of the Eastern Star, the Methodist choir and individuals. There were wreaths, stars, crosses, and a beautiful floral harp, the gift of the choir of the church of which he was so long a devoted and consistent member. Rarely is such a profusion of floral emblems and flowers seen at the funeral of a private citizen. They were indeed the offerings of love—beautiful tokens from saddened hearts.

Rev. H. Duttill read the scripture lessons, made brief, appropriate remarks on the life and splendid character of the dead, offered a simple prayer and benediction, and the service was over. There was no singing.

It was a long procession that followed the remains to their final resting place in West View cemetery, and the gathering at the grave, like that at the house, was unprecedented in Palatka.

Here the service was the ritual of the Masonic order, read by Master Mason, L. A. Smith.

The pall bearers were C. E. Rowton, Henry Hutchinson sr., Dr. J. W. Darsey, Judge E. E. Haskell, J. N. Walton, L. F. Jackson, E. M. Earnest and L. K. Tucker.

During the hour of the funeral the business houses of Palatka were closed.

### What is Said of Hilburn.

It is reported that Senator Hilburn, just before leaving for Texas on Saturday, stated that he would be a candidate for congress next year from his district. The friends of Mr. Hilburn have been importing him for several years to allow the use of his name for this official honor, but he has not heretofore consented. If the rumor is true we may expect a most interesting race in the Second, for Mr. Hilburn is an exceedingly popular and able man.—Tallahassee True Democrat.

There promises to be an amusing scrap—amusing to us outsiders—over in the Second district, when W. A. McWilliams, of St. Augustine, and S. J. Hilburn, of Palatka, go after Congress. Frank Clark's scalp, as both have announced their intention of doing. McWilliams is undoubtedly one of the brightest men in the state, as those who have observed him in action on the floor of the House will agree. Hilburn is also some pumpkins—we have, by the way, heard him referred to as "Eve's Second Husband," though he might not relish the comparison. Meanwhile the Honorable Frank knows a trick or two of the political game, as those who have gone up against him in the past can vouch for. We'll watch the scrap with interest—provided we're not too busy about that time watching our own performers.—Lakeland News.

### Heights Road Co-operation.

At the meeting of the board of aldermen of Palatka Heights on Tuesday evening action was taken to push completion of the county roads with the city pavement.

Ald. Benj. I. Gay, president of the Palatka city council appeared before the aldermen and urged immediate action on the part of the board in making connection and promised the support of the Palatka council.

The report of the road committee was encouraging, showing about \$500 subscribed, many offers of help from individuals, and a good deposit of lime and marl to work from. The committee feels that it will be able to begin work by the middle of this month.

This road committee of Palatka Heights is of the pushing sort—the kind that gets results, and it has a half-dozen more like it in reserve. The council instructed the committee to appear before the Palatka city council and the county commissioners and get immediate action on the project. The board also made a vigorous protest against the sale of, or renting outside the county, the steam road roller.



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## GOVERNOR VETOES ANTI-LEASE BILL

### Declares State is not Prepared to House its Convicts.

House Fails to Override Executive Prerogative.

Gov. Gilchrist on Monday sent his message to the legislature vetoing the Anti-Convict Anti-Lease bill, and for the second time the House failed in an attempt to pass the measure over the Governor's veto.

That a law similar to the Anti-Convict bill will eventually become the rule of the state in the disposition of its convicts, seems to be generally conceded. The convict lease system is a barbaric way of treating convicts. But to change to another plan without preparation would leave the state not only in a financial hole, but would render it almost impossible for the present administration to provide for the keep of its convicts.

In vetoing the measure Gov. Gilchrist gave the following clear reasons for his action: "I have the honor to return herewith, without my approval, the following bill, which originated in your honorable body:

"An act to abolish the present convict lease system, to provide for the maintenance of the State and county convicts, and providing for the working of the said State and county convicts upon the public roads."

"The title is defective and misleading. The title calls for provision for the maintenance of the State and county convicts. No such provisions for the maintenance appears in the body of the bill.

### State Has No Penitentiary.

"The state has no prison or penitentiary. This bill does not provide that the prisoners it requires shall be employed in the maintenance and construction of state highways, shall be considered in law to be in the state prison, and does not provide for the working of the said convicts upon the public roads. The title is defective and misleading. The title calls for provision for the maintenance of the State and county convicts. No such provisions for the maintenance appears in the body of the bill.

"Under the present administration, and under my recommendation to the Legislature of 1909, \$15,000 was appropriated under the chapter 5941, acts of 1909, 'an act authorizing the Board of Commissioners of State Institutions to purchase lands for a prison farm, to erect buildings and equipment for said farm and directing that certain prisoners be not leased for pay and providing the means to defray the expense necessary to carry out the provisions of this act.'"

"The said board was authorized to purchase a tract or body of land suitable for agricultural purposes and was authorized to erect on said property suitable buildings for properly conducting and maintaining State Prison Farm, etc." The board has purchased \$154,500 acres at five dollars per acre, situated in Bradford county near Ellerbees Railroad. The Board took and option on 7,445.50 acres of adjacent land at the same price, subject to the action of the Legislature in appropriating money for purchase of same. This land is conveniently located with reference to railway facilities. The Atlantic Coast Line Railroad runs along one side of it, a branch, Ellerbees is on the land, and Seaboard Air Line Railroad is three to four miles from the tract.

"This administration has shown in its recommendations and in its action that it favors the ultimate repeal of the lease system of working the state convicts. From a humanitarian standpoint, an opposition to the employment of long term convicts on public roads. When convicts are used on public roads they are usually housed in iron cages on wheels similar to cages in which animals are carried around in the menageries which often exhibit in our state. We have so such a cage, under the present convict system of Georgia, twelve convicts provided with berths, the cage being about seven by fifteen feet. The cages are moved as the exigencies of the work require. There can be but little convenience for bathing, for provisions, for fresh vegetables from adjacent farms, or for any convenience for toilet arrangements at night. A foreman is placed over the convicts. These convicts are chained to a big log chain at night, and are chained to such log chain on Sundays.

### Shows Up Georgia System.

"It is true that in some of the larger towns the long term convicts are housed in permanent quarters. For instance, in Bainbridge, Ga., being in the county of Decatur, there are no such permanent quarters. Nor are there any such in said county. In the City of Waycross there are such permanent quarters. Whenever there are such permanent quarters my impression is that the convicts fare as well as they fare under the present lease system in Florida.

"From a humanitarian point of view, I consider the present lease system of Florida as being far in advance of the present Georgia system. Under the present lease system in Florida, every convict has a comfortable iron bed, comfortable springs and mattresses and other comforts. Bathing facilities are provided. Their diet is provided by the contract. The hours of work are fixed, they can at least be comfortable at night and on Sunday. I submit that such a convict cannot exist in the movable 'cage menagerie' system.

"It is true that the following conditions do not exist in every State convict camp. In one convict camp established under the present lease system there is artesian water, a water system, a sewerage system, all the facilities for bathing, vegetable farm, etc. The sleeping accommodations are to be found equalled in few hotels in Florida. Last year, with two or three members of the cabinet, I visited another camp, one Saturday, the same being sixteen miles from a railroad station. Fifty convicts were employed at this camp. I learned that none of the convicts were at work that Saturday, all having completed their weekly task. Fully half of them were lounging around the camp the other half with some of the guards had gone off fishing in one of the nearby lakes.

"I am heartily in favor of the discontinuance of the lease system for handling convicts. I am opposed, however, to the operations of the present bill. Under the law, already enacted, the cripple, infirm and the women will be placed on a farm. Provision for the maintenance of the same was made in the present lease, executed under the present administration. This lease pro-

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It is only seven years ago that H. Finley Tucker began in a small way to do an insurance business in Palatka. He was a young man with a liking for the business and the determination to succeed. He worked and—he won. After two years of steady solicitation he had real estate brokerage to the business he had built up in the little office opposite the old court house. In this also he made a success. He knew Putnam county real estate and he had a clear conception of present and future values. He looked ahead.

In 1908 he made a bid for, and succeeded in securing the state agency for the Continental Casualty Company of Chicago, the largest accident and health insurance company in the world. That was another brilliant feather in his business cap.

It also meant more work and a larger working force, so Mr. Tucker sold an interest to his brother, L. K. Tucker, Jr., and the firm name was changed to H. Finley Tucker & Bro.

Then there was added energy and still greater growth. A pace was set which soon compelled insurance men of the state to take notice of this firm of Palatka young men.

The state treasurer's report of accident and health insurance companies licensed to do business in Florida shows that the Continental Casualty Company collected in premiums in the state of Florida in 1910 a total of \$10,000. In 1910 the same official report shows that the premiums paid to the company for that year amounted to \$45,000, or \$10,000 more than to the next highest company. That growth of \$35,000 in the business of one company in a year is but one illustration of the bustling activities of H. Finley Tucker & Bro. Other departments of the business show a proportionate ratio of increase.

The increase in 1910 over 1909 in this year of 1911 is going to show another big increase.

The firm does a large local fire insurance business and represents several of the larger companies of the country as special agents for Florida.

Last year the Tucker Bros. moved into the Ford building on Second street, where they have large space, and a large force of clerks, and for the past year they have specialized much on Palatka real estate.

The firm of H. Finley Tucker & Bro. is now one of the recognized insurance and real estate factors in the state, and an institution in which all Palatkas feel a pride.

### Difficulties of Plan.

"Should the plan contemplated in this bill, the working of convicts on the road be adopted, provision would of course, have to be made for maintaining, directing and guarding the prisoners while so at work. Anyone can guess at the extra mileage that would be required as well as I can. In this connection it should be observed that even if the Legislature of 1913 should levy a tax for the purpose of maintaining the prisoners while at work on the roads, the proceeds of such tax would not be available until well along in the year 1914.

"Under the recommendation of the present administration, the Legislature has already taken initiatory steps towards the abolishment of the present lease system by providing for the establishment of a certain prison farm. After this system has been established, and is in good working order, it may be well to provide for the employment of certain of the short term able-bodied men on the public roads.

"In conclusion, regardless of the real merits of the bill, the same should be returned without my approval, on account of the defective and misleading title and on account of the vital defect in not providing that the prisoners which it requires shall be employed in the maintenance and construction of State highways shall be considered in law to be in the State prison.

"As previously stated, such a defect might lead if this bill became a law to the discharge on habeas corpus of all the prisoners sentenced by the courts. It is needless to invite your attention to the fact that while there are many county roads, there is not a State highway in all Florida.

(Signed) Albert W. Gilchrist, Governor.

### Look Out For The Engine.

The contractors to whom President E. P. Rentz of the Ocala Northern Railway let the contract to complete the road Palatka, will have the road ready to operate trains to Orange Springs by Saturday night. By or before the contract time, Sept. 11th, the contractors will have the road completed to Palatka and deep water connection. Work at that time will immediately commence on the road to bring the road into the city from Silver Springs so that trains, as well as electric cars will be operated into Ocala over the road's own rails, instead of the Seaboard from the Springs-Ocala Star.

## INTERLACHEN ITEMS.

Memorial Day was very appropriately observed with a special service held in the M. E. church, Rev. Mr. Jaunty, son of a Federal veteran, conducting the service, assisted by Miss Jonita O'Haver at the organ. The beautiful decoration of the church with flags and bunting, caught up with shields, all in our national colors, bespoke the hand of an artist in their arrangement. The Decoration Day program was carried out in the afternoon at the cemetery. Commander Porter being absent, his place was filled by Adjt. Thomas Lee. Rev. Mr. Jaunty acted as Chaplain. As Comdr. Colburn was unable to attend, and delivered a brief but impressive address. At the conclusion of the program the graves of the soldier dead were profusely decorated with flowers by the children.

Captain Joseph Ware of New York City has been sojourning here for a week, enjoying the freedom from the heat and noise of that great city, and looking after his large property interests. Captain Ware contemplates returning next winter with his wife and daughter, and should he carry out this good intention, his beautiful home here will be opened, after years of disuse, another indicator of the tide of prosperity that is slowly but surely setting toward Interlachen.

The repair work on the Motes building goes steadily on, and the foundations are laid for the Fraser residence. The rusty nails lying about the Motes building are playing havoc with the children. Little Victor Motes has been unable to walk for several days, in consequence of stepping upon a nail—and Master Warren Fraser is a second victim who is suffering severely from the same cause.

Mrs. Z. A. Thomas of Baldwin and her granddaughter Miss Ruby Hodges of Macclenny are visiting their relatives, the Fraser and Motes families here. From here Miss Hodges goes to Gainesville and will be accompanied by Miss Mattie Fraser.

Mrs. Jenkins' son from Jacksonville was a guest of his mother several days this week.

Mrs. Peer of Satusma Heights is visiting her friends, the Gillets.

Miss Erma Wylie is enjoying a month's visit in Deland, at the home of her uncle, Mr. Berkelmann. On her return she will probably go to the Carolinas to spend some time with relatives there.

Mrs. G. E. Gillett became suddenly very ill from an attack of acute indigestion Tuesday night, but prompt attention from a summoned physician afforded relief and she is now convalescent.

A gay party of young people, including Miss Evans and Miss DeTilla and chaperoned by Mrs. Irish, motored to Palatka Saturday evening, some of the party remaining until Monday.

## Orpheum Theater Doings.

Collins and Hubert comedy specialists in song and dance acts were on all the fore part of the week, but were obliged to leave Wednesday night in order to meet an engagement at Macon, Ga. They were very clever and caught the lively appreciation of the audience.

The clever act for the week, however, is that of the Spanish danseuse, Mille Sidonie. She is a little French woman and graceful, even though her dance is Spanish. The dance is a cross between a "yum-yum" and a "squeeze-me-tight" and is rhythmical in the extreme. The little woman sings in French while she dances, and her voice, especially in the higher notes, is like unto a canary bird calling to its mate. She will be at the Orpheum until Saturday night.

Next week Manager Kallbfeldt has the promise of a very high grade attraction. It is the Bader-LaVelle comedy acrobatic cyclists. There is three of them and they have just closed a season in Havana. On their way north and want to make a little enroute. High-priced people, too high for the Orpheum to think of securing in an other way. Pictures? Yes, and good ones. Some extra fine ones are to be shown tonight and tomorrow.

## Prominent Editor Dies.

Charles L. Blittiger, editor of the Ocala Star, and one of the most prominent of the Florida newspaper fraternity, died at Ocala on Wednesday afternoon after a protracted illness, aged 68. Mr. Blittiger was taken sick at the meeting of the Florida Press Association in Tallahassee the last week in April, a sickness from which he never recovered. He was prominently identified in the State's good road movement.

## KEUKA ITEMS.

A. E. Clark has returned from a business trip to Sanford and Ocala.

Mrs. S. L. Angier returned home Monday from a two weeks visit with relatives and friends in St. Augustine.

H. W. Hess is in Alabama for a few weeks in the interests of the Forbes Piano Co. at Birmingham.

J. H. Wylie reports the clay road progressing nicely, the same having been completed nearly to Johnson.

Calvin Matchett has returned home for the summer with his parents, and spent the winter in school at Kimberlin Heights, Tenn.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Massey who have recently moved to Santa Fe were in town last week visiting friends and attending to business interests here. Mr. Massey has purchased a turpentine farm at that place and reports prospects bright.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Price have recently returned from Chicago where Mr. Price has been in business for past year. Since returning he has purchased the well established mercantile business of his father-in-law, C. J. O'Haver, who is retiring for a much needed rest.

## Card of Thanks.

We wish to assure the people of Palatka that we are deeply grateful, more so than words can express, for the love and sympathy shown to us so abundantly in our recent bereavement. We fully realize that we are surrounded by friends who sorrow with us in our sore affliction, and the many kindnesses received will always be remembered and appreciated by us.

Mrs. Addie L. Tilghman and family.  
Mr. and Mrs. N. J. Tilghman.  
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Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Hamm and family.  
Palatka May 31st, 1911.

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